

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING DAVID SCHORMANN

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize David Schormann. David is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 389, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

David has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years David has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. David has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. For his project, David installed fishing line recycling stations throughout a local lake, to ensure a higher quality of life for wildlife within the area.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending David Schormann for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 19TH AMENDMENT

HON. GARY J. PALMER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. PALMER. Madam Speaker, today is the 100th year anniversary of the United States House of Representatives approving the resolution for the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote. I have looked forward to this day literally since my first day in Congress because it holds very special meaning for my wife's family.

Prior to the 1920 election, sample ballots were distributed in Boston. My wife Ann's great-great-grandmother, Abby Mayhew Cushing, received a sample ballot that she used to prepare for that election. After voting that day she wrote the following note on the back side of the sample ballot, "November 2, 1920 Cast my first vote for President of these United States."

Reading those words gives a sense of the immense pride that Ms. Cushing felt, a sincere sense of patriotism at the opportunity to participate in the selection of the leaders who would guide as she wrote, "these United States."

These United States . . . even though women had been denied the right to vote since the beginning of our nation, there was no sense of resentment from Ms. Cushing, only a sense of great pride that comes from a genuine love of country.

To be totally transparent, I should include the rest of what she wrote on the back of her sample ballot. She wrote, "Straight Republican ticket. Smashing victory for Harding and Coolidge. Abby Mayhew Cushing Age 67"

Almost three years later she added this note: "President Harding died very suddenly August 2nd 1923 in California. Burial in Marion, Ohio, Friday August 10th."

My wife and her family have held on to this treasured piece of American history, with Ms. Cushing's simple yet inspiring words written on the back, for almost 100 years as a reminder of how far our nation has come. It is with great pride and honor that I share them with this Congress on this 100th anniversary of the passage of the House resolution to give the women of America the right to vote.

HONORING PAUL SHUTE AND KRISTEN P. FINNE

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing two District of Columbia residents, Paul Shute and Kristen P. Finne, 2019 Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medals finalists.

The Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medals (Sammies) are awarded each year to honor outstanding federal employees who have made significant contributions to our nation. In this, its 18th year, the Sammies reward efficient, effective problem solving in today's complex government. This year, two D.C. residents are among 26 other finalists for the 2019 Safety and Law Enforcement and Management Excellence categories. They were nominated by their peers, federal employees, and chosen from a pool of over 300 nominees as finalists by the Partnership for Public Service, a non-profit aimed at making the government more effective. The winners of the awards will be chosen in October 2019.

Paul Shute, a 2019 Safety and Law Enforcement finalist, cut the amount of time it takes to verify mental health claims for veterans from 60 days to 6 minutes. At a time when the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs estimates that an average of 20 veterans commit suicide every day, this innovative approach is lifesaving and critical to providing veterans with much-needed mental health benefits.

Kristen Finne, a 2019 Management Excellence finalist, developed a system for first responders to quickly locate and assist 4.3 million Medicare beneficiaries who rely on electricity-dependent medical equipment and are at risk during prolonged power outages. Finne, who works for the Department of Health and Human Services in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, developed and led the emPOWER Program, which consists of a database of Medicare beneficiaries and weather and geographic in-

formation to identify, locate and assist vulnerable members of the community during natural disasters.

Please join me in recognizing Paul Shute and Kristen P. Finne, finalists for the 2019 Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medals.

HONORING BRUCE BENSON

HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. BUCK. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize Bruce Benson for his dedication and service to the University of Colorado.

Bruce Benson is the longest-serving president of the University of Colorado in more than half a century. Since becoming the President of his alma mater in 2008, Bruce has enhanced the university's standing as one of our country's leading public universities.

Throughout his tenure, he's been a national leader in ensuring that campuses are forums for free speech, he has welcomed intellectual diversity, and he has a long history of bettering the lives of Coloradans. He will also be remembered for the tremendous strides he made to advance conservative thought and policy, as well as his fundraising efforts to support the Center for Western Civilization, Thought and Policy at the University of Colorado—Boulder.

Before joining the University of Colorado, he established a career in business, where he had been involved in banking, real estate, cable television, and the restaurant industry. He graduated from the University of Colorado in 1964 with a Bachelor of Arts in Geology and founded the Benson Mineral Group in 1965. Later, in 2009, he was named to the Colorado Business Hall of Fame.

This July, Bruce will be retiring as the President of the University of Colorado system—where he oversees four campuses and roughly 70,000 students.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I would like to thank Bruce for his service to our great state of Colorado.

CELEBRATING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF FRIENDS OF THE CHICAGO RIVER

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Friends of the Chicago River as they celebrate their 40th Anniversary.

Since its founding in August of 1979, Friends of the Chicago River has promoted and protected the Chicago River system for

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people, plants and animals. They have worked in areas of policy, on-the-ground projects and education on behalf of the river system. Friends has educated more than 400,000 students about science, nature and the environment; received over 200,000 visitors to its McCormick Bridgehouse & Chicago River Museum and have taken over 20,000 individuals canoeing to build new and future advocates.

Each year, Friends Centennial Volunteers and River Action Days attract over 6,000 volunteers who participate in restoration activities instream and on adjacent lands. Also, each year, Friends' Chicago River Day attracts about 2,000 people to around 70 locations across the Chicago region for a clean-up effort that removes tons of litter from the waterway. The organization has worked on behalf of the Chicago River system to raise overall water quality, foster healthier wildlife habitat, reduce flooding, and raise public awareness of combined sewer overflows.

Friends has grown from a handful of people concerned about the neglect of the river system to an organization of 10,000 members, volunteers, and online advocates led by Executive Director, Margaret Frisbie, and Board President, Sally Fletcher.

Generations of Chicagoans now value the Chicago River system as an invaluable natural resource.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Friends of the Chicago River for a long tradition of advocacy on behalf of the Chicago River system and its 40th Anniversary.

HONORING SANTIAGO HIGH SCHOOL ON THEIR FIRST LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP AND FIRST APPEARANCE AT CIF SOUTHERN SECTION FINALS

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, I wish to recognize the Santiago High School softball team who recently won their first League Championship in school history and made it all the way to the CIF Southern Section Division 6 title game.

Santiago High School's softball team truly had a storybook season, with an overall regular season record of 23–1. This is the best record in the school's nearly 60-year history.

Additionally, Santiago High School went 9–1 in league play, clinching their first Garden Grove League Title. This was a moment of great pride for the school. The team began their extraordinary run through the CIF Southern Section Division 6 softball tournament as the number one seed and dominated their way through the playoffs.

Their coach, Melissa Adams, reached her 100th win during the 2nd round of the playoffs becoming the first Santiago High School softball coach to reach 100 wins.

Melissa and her coaching staff, Tony Adams and Manuel Cruz, led the team through an outstanding playoff run that led to their first title game in school history. While the team made a valiant effort, they fell just short of the title with a 3–2 loss.

The Santiago High School softball team has truly been a dominating force on the softball

field this season and have so much to be proud of. With only four seniors graduating, they will truly be a force to be reckoned with next season as they make a run for a Garden Grove League dynasty. The team is truly a special group of young women and I am proud to recognize all of their accomplishments.

CONGRATULATING THE EAST ST. LOUIS BOYS TRACK AND FIELD TEAM

HON. MIKE BOST

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. BOST. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the East St. Louis Boys Track and Field Team for winning the 2019 Class 2A State Tournament.

On Saturday, the Flyers beat their competitors by 42 points at O'Brien Field in Charleston, Illinois. This victory is the 12th boys state title for East St. Louis.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating the team, their coaches, and their families that supported these young men on their journey to victory. They have brought tremendous pride to the 12th District of Illinois. Go Flyers.

HONORING RONALD EDWARD HOLLOWAY

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing one of the District of Columbia's great professional musicians, Ronald Edward Holloway.

Holloway, a native Washingtonian and product of D.C. Public Schools, began playing saxophone at a young age. Early on in his career, he periodically played with the historic El Corols Band and Show of Washington, D.C. The first band that Holloway played with was a Top 40 band called The Speculations based out of Takoma Park, MD.

Holloway launched his professional career in 1975 at the age of 21. He is described by top jazz critics such as Stanley Crouch and Ira Gitler as a "hard bearing down-hard-hopper who can blow authentic jazz, R&B and can croon a ballad with warm blue feeling, funk and rock."

Holloway played tenor saxophone with the great Gil Scott Heron for 14 years and was a member of the world-renowned Dizzy Gillespie Quintet. He was also a guest saxophonist with Sonny Rollins, the Allman Brothers Band, Gov't Mule Band, Tedeschi Truck Band, Little Feat Band, and Taj Mahal. Currently, he is the director and saxophonist for his own band, The Ron Holloway Band.

Holloway, a member of the D.C. Legendary Musicians Inc., is the recipient of 42 music awards, including several Wammie awards for Musician of the Year.

I ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing and honoring Ronald Edward Holloway for his steadfast dedication to

promoting and preserving music in Washington, D.C.

COMMEMORATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF CUMMINS INC.

HON. DARIN LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. LAHOOD. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize Cummins Inc. for celebrating their 100th anniversary. Cummins has become the benchmark for engine design and engine related products.

In 1919, the Cummins Engine Company began producing engines on a mass scale. Since then, the company has grown immensely; it now designs and manufactures a wide variety of products. With operations all over the globe, it makes me proud to say that Cummins has a home in the 18th Congressional District with its branch in Bloomington, Illinois.

I extend my sincere congratulations to Cummins Inc. for a successful 100 years, and I wish them continued success going forward.

CONGRATULATING LONE STAR ANALYSIS ON CONTINUED GROWTH AND EXPANSION

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. MARCHANT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Lone Star Analysis on its expansion and new corporate headquarters in Addison, Texas, part of the 24th Congressional District.

The Dallas-Fort Worth area has experienced unabated growth over the last several years due to its healthy economic climate for small businesses and strong supply of highly-skilled employees. Lone Star Analysis is a wonderful example of this story. During my time serving in the House of Representatives, Lone Star Analysis has tripled its footprint in the Town of Addison and increased employment by the same ratio.

While enjoying significant growth, Lone Star Analysis has also been an active community partner. For example, Lone Star Analysis provided studies on improving federal procurement to a committee within the United States Congress. More recently, Lone Star Analysis delivered a pioneering study on improving the lives of inner-city children. These are two of many examples of Lone Star Analysis going above the call of duty and giving back to our community and nation.

Lone Star Analysis serves key sectors of the Texas economy including oil and gas, aerospace, and manufacturing. Every day, their analytics supports the critical mission of many Fortune 500 companies, small businesses, and organizations including the Chief of Naval Aviation Training, headquartered in Corpus Christi, Texas, and the Air Education and Training Command, headquartered in San Antonio, Texas.

Madam Speaker, I ask all of my colleagues to join me in recognizing Lone Star Analysis

on its continued growth and grand opening of its new corporate headquarters in Addison, Texas.

NATIONAL SOJOURNERS WEEK

HON. DON BACON

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. BACON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the National Sojourners for their 100th year of service to our nation and for National Sojourners week which is June 3rd through June 8th.

The National Sojourners was born of wartime requirements and nurtured by the desire of displaced military Masons to seek each other's company, counsel and aid. Their purpose is to organize current and former members of the uniformed forces of the United States and Honorary Members, who are Master Masons, into Chapters to promote good fellowship, cultivate Masonic ideals, support all patriotic aims and activities in Masonry, and develop patriotism and Americanism throughout the nation.

For a century, the National Sojourners have counted among their ranks leaders from every facet in American society. From three U.S. Presidents, to Generals and Admirals, to our junior enlisted personnel, National Sojourners have served patriotically for the cause of freedom. Among their ranks have been several Medal of Honor recipients, some of whom made the supreme sacrifice to ensure our liberty.

National Sojourners accomplishes its mission of education through 160 National Sojourner Chapters located throughout the United States and Europe, as well as its Headquarters located in Virginia, which provides support to all Chapters.

Love of country is promoted by local Chapters through educational information and programs in Americanism and Patriotism specifically directed to the youth of our nation in the form of Youth Leadership Conference scholarships, high school- and college-level ROTC Awards, and patriotic essay contests.

I would also like to welcome our military veterans and National Sojourners to Nebraska, the Heartland of America, where they will host their Centennial Annual National Convention. Thank you for your service and continued patriotism for our country.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE EXTRAORDINARY LIFE AND LEGACY OF COACH OTIS WASHINGTON

HON. TERRI A. SEWELL

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Ms. SEWELL of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary life and legacy of the late Coach Otis Washington. A native of Selma, Alabama, Coach Washington was a legendary football and Louisiana Hall of Famer, who instilled in his players his winning spirit, stalwart character and quest for excellence. He led St. Augustine High School to three state championships before moving on

to coach at LSU and Southern University. Sadly, Coach Washington passed away on Friday, May 24, 2019 at the age of 80.

Coach Washington was born on February 12, 1939 in Selma, Alabama to Sadie and Otis Washington, Sr. He graduated from R.B. Hudson High School in 1957 where he was class president and a star athlete. He then graduated from Xavier University in New Orleans, where he was the captain of the football team and an All-Conference guard and linebacker. A stellar all-around athlete, Coach Washington also made Xavier's All-Conference team in baseball.

Coach Washington was a devout Catholic and devoted member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. His devotion to his faith began as a young boy in Selma, Alabama, where he was a member of the Don Bosco Catholic Boy's Club founded by Father Nelson Ziter in 1947.

Coach Washington's résumé speaks for itself. He led St. Augustine to state championships in 1975, 1978 and 1979, and in his 11 seasons there, he garnered a 113-17-1 record and guided the Purple Knights to 11 consecutive winning seasons and seven district titles in their ultra-competitive league.

In 1979, Coach Washington became the first African American football coach at LSU when he joined the staff as an offensive line coach. In 1981, Coach Washington was hired as the head football coach at Southern University in Baton Rouge, where he led the Jaguars for six seasons, until 1986.

His achievements on the football field led to his induction into the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame in 2015 and the St. Augustine Hall of Fame in 2017. He was also inducted into several additional halls of fame, including: The New Orleans Sports Hall of Fame—Outstanding Prep Coach (1979); New Orleans Sports Hall of Fame (1994); Louisiana High School Athletic Association Sports Hall of Fame (2012); Southern University Sports Hall of Fame (2016); and Xavier University Hall of Fame (2017).

His success on the football field was matched by his many efforts in the community to promote fairness, equity and justice. "Coach Wash," as he was known by most, was a key figure in the integration of the Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LHSAA). Three years before Coach Washington took over at St. Augustine, a lawsuit allowed the school to compete in the LHSAA, rather than the all-black Louisiana Interscholastic Athletic and Literary Organization. St. Augustine, led by Coach Washington, often found itself caught in the middle of a changing, difficult social environment, and on the losing end of many officials' calls. In 1970, when all-black St. Augustine team faced off against an all-white team in Chalmette, the team was escorted by police. On the field, the players were surrounded by a dozen officers and police dogs. Despite the environment, though, the team, persevered and eventually made it to the state championship—and won.

While Coach Washington was often quick to downplay his role in integrating the league and said he did not see himself as a civil rights leader, his guidance opened doors of opportunity for countless members of the African American community, and many of his players credit his leadership with the team's persistence and determination to make it to the state finals, despite the difficult racial social climate.

He demanded discipline and attention to detail from both his players and assistant coaches at every level of the game, from St. Augustine to LSU. These lessons remained with his players even after they had hung up their cleats.

Coach Washington is survived by his wife of over 52 years, Linda Patterson Washington of Baton Rouge, whom he met while coaching at St. Augustine; his siblings, Carol C. Black, Olivia Washington, Charlene W. Brown, Theopolis, Sr. (Jacqueline), Sharon D. Williams (Tyrone R., Sr.), Irma Ruth McQueen, and many godchildren, special grandchildren, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

On a personal note, I knew this amazing man as my "Uncle Otis." He was one of my father's best childhood friends. Uncle Otis, my dad, Charles Williams and Ted Washington referred to themselves as the "Four Amigos" in grammar school, a name that stuck throughout their lifetimes. These men never forgot the lessons they learned from Father Nelson Ziter at the Don Bosco Boy's Club of Selma, nor the friendship that bound them forever. They shared a deep love of their hometown of Selma and a commitment to service through sports.

Uncle Otis and Auntie Linda were a constant presence in the lives of my twin brothers and me. I could always count on them for words of encouragement and boasts of pride in my accomplishments. I know that I stand today as Alabama's first black Congresswoman because of the love, support, nurturing and prayers of the mentors, family and friends like Uncle Otis. Like my dad, Coach Otis Washington will be missed, but never forgotten. The legacy Uncle Otis leaves behind will live on in the many lives that he impacted. May we find comfort in knowing that his legend lives in us, and we are stronger and better because Uncle Otis' light shines bright within us.

On behalf of Alabama's 7th Congressional District, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the extraordinary life and legacy of Selma, Alabama native Coach Otis Washington, a football coaching legend and Louisiana Hall of Famer. May we celebrate the totality of his life today and honor always his great accomplishments in sports and contributions in shaping the hearts, minds and character of men.

CONGRATULATING THE EAST ST. LOUIS GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD TEAM

HON. MIKE BOST

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. BOST. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the East St. Louis Girls Track and Field Team for winning the 2019 Class 2A State Tournament.

On Saturday, the Flyerettes beat their competitors by seven points at O'Brien Field in Charleston, Illinois. This victory is the second Girls state title for East St. Louis.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating the team, their coaches, and their families that supported these young women on their journey to victory. They have brought tremendous pride to the 12th District of Illinois. Go Flyerettes.

HONORING HECTOR GODINEZ FUNDAMENTAL HIGH SCHOOL FOR THEIR FIRST CIF SOUTHERN SECTION SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, I wish to recognize the Hector Godinez Fundamental High School softball team who recently won their first CIF Southern Section Championship in school history.

On Saturday, May 18, the softball team clinched their first ever title, defeating El Segundo High School by a score of 15–1, becoming the CIF Southern Section Division 4 Champions. They won all five of the CIF games by five or more runs, making a dominating run to the championship.

It has been a truly outstanding season for both Godinez Fundamental High School softball and the City of Santa Ana. Their head coach, Ed Medina, has been the coach since the school opened in 2007 and was named the 2019 Orange County Softball Coach of the Year. His assistant coaches are Clarissa Castellanos, Kevin Pola, and Selene Pola.

In 2017, they made it to the CIF-SS Semi Finals and in 2018, they made it to the 2nd round of playoffs. This season, they outdid themselves with an overall regular season record of 21–4. They won the Golden West League Championship, with an undefeated record of 10–0 in their first year in the league. This is their fourth league championship in a row, previously winning three Orange Coast League Championships in 2016, 2017, and 2018.

The Hector Godinez Fundamental High School softball team has truly been a dominating force on the softball field this season, especially during the playoffs. They have six graduating seniors and many more returning, and I am confident they will be a force to be reckoned with in the 2020 High School softball season. The team is truly a special group of young women and I am proud of all their accomplishments. Congratulations again on being the 2019 CIF Southern Section Division 4 softball champions.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO AGENTS AND OFFICERS OF U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PATROL

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Madam Speaker, the mission of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is broad and diverse. The men and women of CBP protect our borders at and between ports of entry. They protect the American people against terrorists and the instruments of terror. They enforce the laws of the United States while fostering our Nation's economic security through lawful international trade and travel. CBP employees provide selfless service to their nation and they do so with honor and distinction under an ever-present threat.

As a former judge, I know firsthand the essential role law enforcement officers play in maintaining law and order and the risks they face every time they report for duty. I would like to pay tribute to the agents and officers who lost their lives in the service of our Nation. While their watches have ended, the legacy and the commitment of all who wear the badge live on.

Lawrence B. Pierce, Supervisory Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Border Patrol, Chula Vista, California, End of Watch: August 17, 1995.

James P. Epling, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Yuma, Arizona, End of Watch: December 16, 2003.

Travis W. Attaway, Senior Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Harlingen, Texas, End of Watch: September 19, 2004.

Jeremy M. Wilson, Senior Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Harlingen, Texas, End of Watch: September 19, 2004.

George B. Debates, Senior Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Casa Grande, Arizona, End of Watch: December 19, 2004.

Nicholas D. Greenig, Senior Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Tucson, Arizona, End of Watch: March 14, 2006.

David N. Webb, Senior Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Ajo, Arizona, End of Watch: November 3, 2006.

Ramon Nevarez, Jr., Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Lordsburg, New Mexico, End of Watch: March 15, 2007.

David J. Tourscher, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Lordsburg, New Mexico, End of Watch: March 16, 2007.

Clinton B. Thrasher, Air Interdiction Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, McAllen, Texas, End of Watch: April 25, 2007.

Richard Goldstein, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Indio, California, End of Watch: May 11, 2007.

Robert F. Smith, Air Interdiction Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, El Paso, Texas, End of Watch: May 22, 2007.

Eric N. Cabral, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Boulevard, California, End of Watch: July 26, 2007.

Julio E. Baray, Air Interdiction Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, El Paso, Texas, End of Watch: September 24, 2007.

Luis A. Aguilar, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Yuma, Arizona, End of Watch: January 19, 2008.

Jarod C. Dittman, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, San Diego, California, End of Watch: March 30, 2008.

Nathaniel A. Afolayan, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Artesia, New Mexico, End of Watch: May 1, 2009.

Cruz C. McGuire, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Del Rio, Texas, End of Watch: May 21, 2009.

Robert W. Rosas, Jr., Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Campo, California, End of Watch: July 23, 2009.

Mark F. Van Doren, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Falfurrias, Texas, End of Watch: May 24, 2010.

Charles F. Collins II, CBP Officer, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Anchorage, Alaska, End of Watch: August 15, 2010.

Michael V. Gallagher, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Casa

Grande, Arizona, End of Watch: September 2, 2010.

John R. Zykas, CBP Officer, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, San Diego, California, End of Watch: September 8, 2010.

Brian A. Terry, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Naco Cochise, Arizona, End of Watch: December 15, 2010.

Hector R. Clark, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Yuma, Arizona, End of Watch: May 12, 2011.

Eduardo Rojas, Jr., Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Yuma, Arizona, End of Watch: May 12, 2011.

Leopoldo Cavazos, Jr., Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Fort Hancock, Texas, End of Watch: July 6, 2012.

James R. Dominguez, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Cline, Texas, End of Watch: July 19, 2012.

Jeffrey Ramirez, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Laredo, Texas, End of Watch: September 15, 2012.

Nicholas J. Ivie, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Bisbee, Arizona, End of Watch: October 2, 2012.

David R. Delaney, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Big Bend National Park, Texas, End of Watch: November 2, 2012.

Darrell J. Windhaus, CBP Officer, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Brownsville, Texas, End of Watch: December 29, 2013.

Alexander I. Giannini, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Benson, Arizona, End of Watch: May 28, 2014.

Javier Vega, Jr., Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Santa Monica, Texas, End of Watch: August 3, 2014.

Tyler R. Robledo, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Carrizo Springs, Texas, End of Watch: September 12, 2014.

Jose D. Barraza, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Sierra Blanca, Texas, End of Watch: April 18, 2016.

Manuel A. Alvarez, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Casa Grande, Arizona, End of Watch: August 11, 2016.

David Gomez, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, El Paso, Texas, End of Watch: November 16, 2016.

Isaac Morales, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, El Paso, Texas, End of Watch: May 24, 2017.

Rogelio Martinez, Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, El Paso, Texas, End of Watch: November 19, 2017.

Christopher T. Bacon, Intelligence Collection Operations Manager, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Grand Forks, North Dakota, End of Watch: June 7, 2018.

IN MEMORY OF ROY APPLETON, JR.

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in memory of Mr. Roy Appleton, Jr., who passed away on Monday, April 8, 2019 after a lifetime of service to our nation and his North Texas neighbors.

As a young man, Roy Appleton, Jr. served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. He saw combat action for more than 35 months in the South Pacific, taking part in the invasion of Iwo Jima and fighting in multiple battles including the retaking of Guadalcanal and Saipan.

Upon his return home to Texas, Mr. Appleton married Margie Lee Monroe of Denton in 1947. He earned a degree from the University of North Texas in 1949. Even before he graduated, Mr. Appleton began working at the Denton Record-Chronicle. He was employed by the paper for more than four decades, retiring in 1991 as president and general manager. Aside from his service in the U.S. Marine Corps, Mr. Appleton spent his entire career at the paper.

An engaged community leader, Mr. Appleton served in a variety of leadership roles for the Denton Chamber of Commerce, the Denton Economic Development Advisory Board, and United Way of Denton County. He was an active member of the Denton Rotary Club and Denton Jaycees, as well as a director of First State Bank and a ruling elder at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church.

In 2014, the Greater Denton Arts Council renamed their home the "Patterson-Appleton Center for the Visual Arts" in recognition of Mr. Appleton's contributions to the art culture of Denton County, which include the creation of the Campus Theatre, annual Holiday Lighting Festival, and Denton Arts & Jazz Festival.

In recognition of his many contributions to the North Texas community, the Greater Denton Arts Council (GDAC) will honor Mr. Appleton's legacy of philanthropy and civic engagement at its annual awards event on May 31, 2019.

I am grateful for Mr. Appleton's many decades of selfless service to our nation and our community. On behalf of the 26th District of Texas, I offer my condolences to his family, friends, and neighbors.

COMMEMORATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF PIKE COUNTY FARM BUREAU

HON. DARIN LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. LAHOOD. Madam Speaker, I would like to honor a remarkable organization, the Pike County Farm Bureau. The Pike County Farm Bureau in central Illinois is a vital organization in the area that promotes agricultural prosperity. After many years of success and service, the Pike County Farm Bureau is celebrating their 100th anniversary.

The Pike County Farm Bureau was chartered on May 10, 1919, to unite farmers in the area and advocate for central Illinois agriculture collectively. Today, the group has 2,200 members supporting the community and economy throughout the county.

The Pike County Farm Bureau provides a voice for farmers, promotes the development of agriculture, and educates and empowers future leaders in the industry. Additionally, Pike County Farm Bureau coordinates with other associations and agencies to promote the well-being and interests of its members.

Illinois has become a major economic force within the agricultural sector because of farm

bureaus like Pike County that come together and enhance opportunities for farmers, their families, and the community. I extend my sincere congratulations to Pike County Farm Bureau for their outstanding accomplishments and contributions to Illinois.

HONORING THE WORK OF MICHAEL KAHN

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Michael Kahn, who is stepping down from the Shakespeare Theatre Company (STC) after 33 years as Artistic Director, having revolutionized the performance of Shakespeare and classical theater in Washington, D.C. Kahn helped to transform D.C. theater from a small scene to the fastest growing professional theater community in the nation, renowned for its variety of theatrical productions.

Kahn believes that theater should be accessible and affordable to all, so he instituted programs such as Free For All, offering free performances of a Shakespearean classic to the general public each summer, the Happenings Happy Hour, offers free performances of local artists, musicians, and performers of a wide variety of disciplines, and the FREE WILL program, offering free tickets for every STC mainstage production in the season. Over 700,000 people have attended a free Shakespeare play, and over 90,000 young people have seen student matinee productions of classic works.

Kahn has built connections between classical theater and the political life of Washington, D.C. with contemporary and urgent productions of Shakespeare and beloved events such as the annual Mock Trial, presided over by Justices of the Supreme Court. I have had the opportunity to perform several times in *Will on the Hill*, a comedy performance based on Shakespeare's works featuring Members of Congress, fostering bipartisan support for arts education. STC serves students in every traditional D.C. public and public charter high school, providing in-school workshops, free supplemental materials and free or deeply subsidized tickets and transportation to theatrical performances.

Kahn's dedication to theater education can be seen through his various roles over the years, such as his tenure as Richard Rodgers Director of the Drama Division at the Juilliard School and his time as faculty at New York University Graduate School of the Arts, the Circle in the Square Theater School and Princeton University. He brought that expertise to Washington, D.C., where he launched the Academy for Classical Acting, a one-year master's program at The George Washington University, which has been preparing the next generation of classically trained actors for 20 years.

Kahn's visionary work has brought national and international recognition, including a Regional Theater Tony Award in 2012 for STC, and personal honors such as an induction as Honorary Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire and a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Hall of Fame. During his Artistic Directorship, STC has gar-

nered 104 Helen Hayes Awards and 442 nominations, with Kahn receiving nine wins for Outstanding Direction and an additional 12 nominations.

I ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Michael Kahn for his leadership, his theatrical innovations and farsighted initiatives, and a life devoted to the theater.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JOYCE HOWARD PITTMAN

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. MARCHANT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask all of my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and legacy of Joyce Howard Pittman of Irving, Texas.

Born in Dallas, Texas on August 31, 1940, Joyce Howard Pittman had a passion for family and serving others from a young age. Growing up in the Dallas suburb of Rylie, Texas, Joyce spent many days working in the fields as the child of a farmer. Her father, O.B. Howard, and mother, Thelma Louis Hiser Howard, worked to instill in her the values of hard work and personal responsibility. From early on, it was clear that Joyce was a natural servant leader and entrepreneur.

In June 1958, Joyce met Clyde Pittman at the Dallas Farmers Market, just south of downtown Dallas. Clyde and Joyce were married almost 61 years and together they had two children, Craig Howard Pittman and Clarissa Dawn Pittman Lindsey. While Clyde served in the United States Air Force, Joyce traveled with him on assignment to destinations including Omaha, Nebraska and San Angelo, Texas. Their growing family soon settled in Irving, Texas where Joyce began to engage in local politics. She was one of the founders of the Irving Republican Women's Club where she served in various capacities and leadership roles. Additionally, Joyce served as a Republican Party Precinct Chair in Dallas County and was a fixture at election time in her neighborhood where she walked blocks and made phone calls for local, state, and national candidates.

In April of 1974, at the age of 33, Joyce was elected to the Irving City Council. Joyce was the first woman ever elected to the city council and helped pave the way for many women leaders in Irving and the North Texas community that would follow her. Throughout Joyce's time serving as a councilmember, she was known as a consensus builder and a champion of good government. Following her service on the city council, Joyce joined the North Texas Commission as a consultant. Again, serving as the first woman in this role, Joyce worked to foster economic prosperity in the North Texas region.

Throughout her life, Joyce had an entrepreneurial spirit. As a small business owner, Joyce operated a residential building business which thrived during significant growth in the Dallas-Fort Worth area during the 1980s. In the late 1990s, Joyce and Clyde took over an Odessa, Texas telecommunications company, DMJ Communications. Joyce served as the COO and commuted weekly from Irving to operate the organization.

In 2012, Joyce was diagnosed with multiple myeloma. During Joyce's battle, she remained

an eternal optimist by confronting the challenge with grace and fortitude. Up until her passing, Joyce continued to do the things she enjoyed the most including spending time with her family and grandchildren, attending Plymouth Park United Methodist Church, and making phone calls for her favorite local candidates.

Madam Speaker, I extend sincere condolences to the Pittman family and I ask all of my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and legacy of Joyce Howard Pittman.

REMEMBERING ROBERT JAMES GLASS

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory and service of Robert James Glass, a 40-year Yuba City resident who embodied the American spirit of enduring dedication to his family and country.

Born on December 4, 1927, Robert joined the U.S. Merchant Marine at age 16 to fight in the Pacific Theater during World War II. Through his service as a merchant mariner during the war, Robert joined in an effort that proved to be an instrumental asset on an untold number of occasions.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt stated in 1944 that the Merchant Marine had "delivered the goods when and where needed in every theater of operations and across every ocean in the biggest, the most difficult, and dangerous transportation job ever undertaken. As time goes on, there will be greater public understanding of our merchant fleet's record during this war." It was in that ultimately victorious cause that Robert volunteered to lend his hand.

Following the war, Robert served 22 years in the U.S. Air Force, including deployments across the world. He retired as a Master Sergeant at Beale AFB, California. Through his active engagement in local organizations such as the American Legion he remained a dedicated member of the Yuba City community until his passing.

He is survived by his three sons, Robert, Richard and Bruce and their families. I know that they, along with the rest of his family and friends, join me in celebrating his life and his memory.

HONORING NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH

HON. JOHN LEWIS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. LEWIS. Madam Speaker, I rise in honor of National Foster Care Month, which has been observed in May for more than thirty years, and to speak about an issue that affects foster children and families across America.

Too many children dream of a stable, loving, family. Many adults want to open their homes and their hearts, but they face barriers because the system says that they practice

the wrong religion, love the wrong person, or are not married.

My friends, this is discrimination. It is not right, not fair, and not just.

I am proud to sponsor the Every Child Deserves a Family Act to change that. This bill is the right thing to do, and quite frankly, it is long overdue.

It does not matter whether we are gay or straight, married or single, Christian, Jewish, or Muslim. It does not matter whether we practice all religions or no religion. It does not matter whether we are African American, Latino, Native American, Asian American, or white.

We are all one people, one country.

And we must each do our part to ensure that every young person and aspiring parent is able to enjoy the dream of a loving, stable family.

I look forward to reintroducing the Every Child Deserves a Family Act next week.

HONORING MARIO CARTAYA

HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I congratulate Cartaya and Associates Architects on their 40th anniversary in South Florida.

Mario Cartaya and his firm Cartaya and Associates Architects have helped shape the look and architectural landscape of South Florida for our many visitors to enjoy.

Mr. Cartaya is a visionary whose work can be seen throughout Broward County, from the Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport and several municipal centers, to public libraries and performing arts centers, and even in our police headquarters and fire stations.

Cartaya and Associates has also designed several additions and renovations for many hospitals and health care facilities in the area.

Mario Cartaya has also dedicated himself to giving back to our community. He served as chairman of Broward College's Board of Trustees, as a member of former Senator Bob Graham's Air Force and Naval Academy Selection Committees, and as a member of the Broward County Cultural Arts Council. He also served as an adjunct professor at Florida Atlantic University's School of Architecture.

His life has been dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in his professional career and the improvement of the community in which he lives.

Mario Cartaya is a selfless, compassionate, and thoughtful citizen, one whom I am proud to call my friend. I applaud his work and wish him continued success.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THERESA TURNER BURROUGHS

HON. TERRI A. SEWELL

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Ms. SEWELL of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary life and

legacy of the late Theresa Turner Burroughs. Mrs. Burroughs, a champion of the right to vote, was a beloved member of the Hale County community who, through grace, grit and love, helped move her hometown of Greensboro, Alabama towards a more just and equal future. Sadly, Mrs. Burroughs passed away on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at the age of 89.

Mrs. Burroughs was the youngest of eleven children born to Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon and Mattie Turner near Moundville, Alabama on August 14, 1928. Due to a flood, the family moved to Greensboro, Alabama, where she remained throughout her life. Mrs. Burroughs graduated from Hale County Training School in 1946 and later from the Bestita School of Beauty. She was married to the late Walter Kenneth Burroughs, who retired from the United States Army. Mrs. Burroughs was the mother of four children: Paula Renee, Kathy Sue, Leslie Erroll and Toni Teresa.

From a young age, Mrs. Burroughs became fascinated by the right to vote and wondered why that right was solely given to white citizens in the Black Belt. During the Jim Crow era, the board of registrars at Alabama's Hale County Courthouse prevented African Americans from registering to vote. Undeterred, she went to the Hale County Courthouse to register to vote on the first and third Monday of each month, where she sometimes waited for hours before being tested with irrelevant questions. She was quizzed on how many red jelly beans there were in a jar and was asked to recite the second line of the second paragraph of the U.S. Constitution and the American Creed, among other tasks, but was denied the right to vote time after time. After two long years, Mrs. Burroughs' determination paid off, and she successfully registered to vote.

Mrs. Burroughs carried these experiences with her throughout her life. Mrs. Burroughs said it was a joy to finally be able to cast her ballot but remarked that it should not have been so difficult to do so. She knew just how precious her right to vote was and worked hard to ensure her own voice and those of all the citizens in the Greensboro community were counted at the ballot box. She never missed a chance to exercise that sacred right, voting in elections at every level.

Mrs. Burroughs showed the depth of her bravery and dedication to the Civil Rights Movement when she marched over the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Alabama on March 7, 1965 along with hundreds of other Foot Soldiers to protest for their right to vote. That day, Bloody Sunday, she was brutally beaten and arrested by state troopers and sheriff's deputies.

Mrs. Burroughs is best known for her stewardship of the "Safe House Museum" in Greensboro, Alabama, which she founded in 2002. The museum is located in the same house where local residents hid Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. from the Ku Klux Klan on a visit to West Alabama in 1968. The Safe House Museum is a reminder of the pivotal role the Black Belt of Alabama played in the Civil Rights Movement. It houses photographs, biographies and historical artifacts to document and educate future generations about the local struggle for the right to vote. The walls of the museum are lined with mug shots of Foot Soldiers, including one of Mrs. Burroughs holding a towel and glasses to protect her eyes from tear gas. A black "X" police

drew on the bottom of her mug shot signifies her status as a leader among the marchers.

Mrs. Burroughs always sought greater equality in her community and demanded to be treated equally, igniting her career and passion for advocacy. Never one to back down, she continued her efforts as an activist leading the Hale County Civic Improvement League, one of the oldest grassroots civil rights organizations in the nation. The organization was instrumental in sparking change in Greensboro and Hale County by soliciting and supporting minority candidates to run for local office, including city council, county commission, sheriff, school board and more.

She remained engaged and active in her community throughout her life and helped elect Greensboro's first African American Mayor, John Owens. Her exemplary reputation and prominence in Hale County drove many political candidates, both local and regional, to seek her council and support for their campaigns. Mrs. Burroughs also was instrumental in securing various programs for the city of Greensboro and Hale County, and led the charge to rename Depot Street to Martin Luther King Drive.

On a personal note, I am deeply honored that I got to know Mrs. Burroughs as one of the real matriarchs of the Civil Rights Movement in Alabama. Mrs. Burroughs was instrumental as the keeper of the archives surrounding the role that Greensboro, Alabama played protecting Dr. King from the KKK in 1968. As founder of the Safe House Museum, it was because of her efforts that future generations will learn about the sacrifices and bravery of so many known and unknown Foot Soldiers for justice. Mrs. Burroughs honored me by attending my first election night victory party in November 2010 in Selma, when I was elected Alabama's first black Congresswoman. I celebrated her as one of the "Black Women Pioneers in Alabama" that night. So many of us stand on the broad shoulders of Mrs. Theresa Burroughs that her bright light will always glow through the many lives that she has impacted.

On behalf of Alabama's 7th Congressional District, I ask my colleagues to join me in remembering the exemplary life of Theresa Turner Burroughs, a civil rights icon and a true American heroine, who helped change Alabama and the entire nation for the better. May we celebrate the totality of her life today and

honor her great contributions to the Civil Rights Movement.

ACKNOWLEDGING THE HONOR
GUARD OF AMERICAN LEGION
POST NO. 56 AND NO. 635

HON. DARIN LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. LAHOOD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the remarkable work that the Honor Guard of Bloomington American Legion Post No. 56 and Normal American Legion Post No. 635 do for our community. The Bloomington-Normal Honor Guard is an integral organization for veterans and their families in Central Illinois.

The Bloomington and Normal Posts have worked together for decades to ensure the Honor Guard Units are there to provide irreplaceable services for the veterans in our community. Over the past twelve years, the Bloomington-Normal Honor Guard has conducted over 1,000 funerals and 500 Color Guard events.

Not only do Post No. 56 and Post No. 635 serve veterans and their families, but they also work to improve the well-being of our community. Over the past 25 years, both posts have presented the colors at the Illinois Special Olympics State Track and Field competition at Illinois State University. Also, Post No. 56 and Post No. 635 Honor Guard played a significant role at the dedication ceremony for the renaming of the Normal Post Office in honor of Sgt. Joshua Rodgers, which my office and I helped to facilitate.

I would like to thank the Bloomington American Legion Post No. 56 and Normal American Legion Post No. 635 for their commitment and service to our veteran community.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the good works of the Bloomington-Normal American Legion Post Honor Guard Members. I include in the RECORD the names of the Honor Guard members.

BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL AMERICAN LEGION
HONOR GUARD MEMBERS AND SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Jim Allen, Thomas Asis, Derek Bishop, David Brown, Roger Cann, Tom Crawford,

Brandon Cruz, Chuck Downs, Butch Ekstam, Mike Ellsworth, Milt Emmerson, Tom Fatten, Howard Hallstein, Mike Hammons, Bob Handley, Roy Hanks, Jill Henry, Clayton James, Royden Jones, Gina Keller.

Kevin Keller, Ken Kemp, Ted Kern, Tom Laskowski, Bob Littell, Dan Maffeo, Denny Meeks, Jack Menssen, Gus Miller, Clarence Mitchell, Jerry Monical, Rich Moran, Carl Powell, Kirby Reese, Steve Riesenbergs, Chris Riley, Mike Rimshas, Rick Ross, Thomas Rutherford, Bob Sable.

Denis Sackett, John Schroeder, Mike Scott, Larry Stokowski, Greg Struve, Keith Throop, Roger Troxel, Steve Turbett, Jim Ulbrich, Jerry Vogler, Bill Warren, Paul Whittmer, Roger Wilke, Bill Zimmerman.

IN RECOGNITION OF BRYNN
BROWN AND ELI STOWERS

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, today I rise to congratulate Guyer High School sophomores Brynn Brown and Eli Stowers, who recently won gold medals at the 2019 UIL Texas State Track and Field meet.

The students' victories are well-earned. Following her regional meet, Ms. Brown was a self-proclaimed underdog. At the beginning of her mile run, Ms. Brown was seeded fourth in a competitive array of runners. Despite these circumstances, she finished first with a mile time of 4.48 minutes. Impressively, Ms. Brown won a second gold medal in the 3,200-meter run.

In the high jump competition, Mr. Stowers reached a remarkable 6 feet and 10 inches to claim the gold medal. Persevering through inclement weather, he rose to the challenge—a testament to his hard work and diligent preparation.

I commend Guyer High School track and field coaches Jonathan Ponsonby, Megan Hardesty, and Aaron Roberts for their leadership and dedication. It is a privilege to represent Guyer High School in the U.S. House of Representatives. I am pleased to recognize the achievements of Brynn Brown and Eli Stowers, and I wish them continued success in their athletic and academic endeavors.